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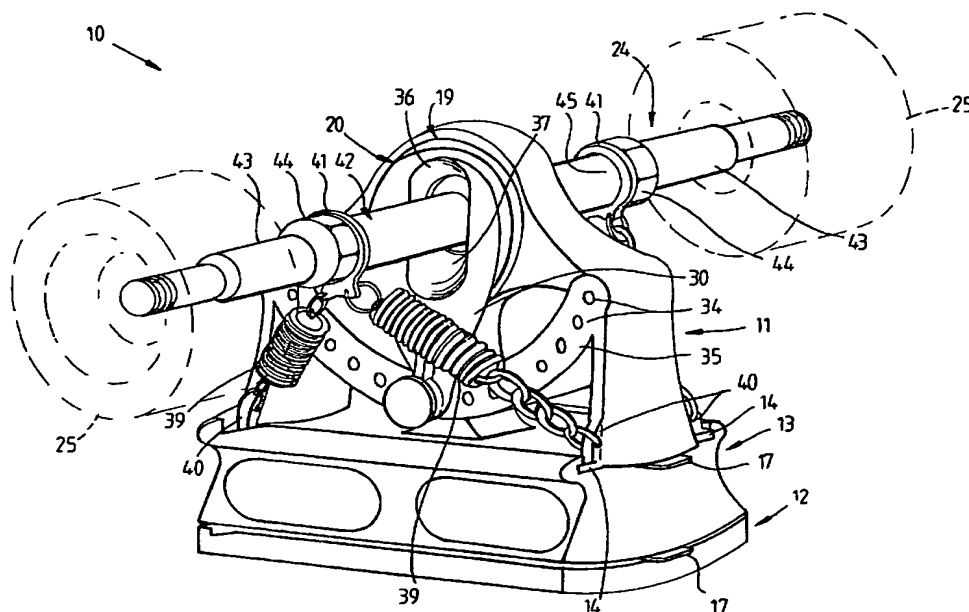
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(54) Title: TRUCK ASSEMBLIES FOR SKATEBOARDS



(57) Abstract: A skateboard truck assembly (10) having a main body (11) for mounting to the underside of a skateboard deck, an axle (24) carrying skateboard wheels (25) and mounted intermediate its opposite ends to the main body (11) via a rotatable steering adjustment body (20) for pivotal movement in a steering plane, the steering adjustment body (20) being mounted to the main body (11) for rotation about an axis extending transversely of the body (11) such that a change in the rotational position of the steering adjustment body (20) adjusts the pivot axis of the axle (24) and thus the steering characteristics of the truck assembly (10).

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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

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B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practicable, search terms used)

DWPI:IPC A63C 17/- & keywords: (skateboard, truck, pivot, hinge, steer, guide, adjust, alter) and similar terms.

C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category*	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
X	EP 557872 A (HPT HARTNER PRAZISIONSTECHNIK GMBH ET AL) 1 September 1993 Whole document	1-28
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Box I Observations where certain claims were found unsearchable (Continuation of item 2 of first sheet)

This international search report has not been established in respect of certain claims under Article 17(2)(a) for the following reasons:

1. ☐ Claims Nos :
because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:
2. ☐ Claims Nos :
because they relate to parts of the international application that do not comply with the prescribed requirements to such an extent that no meaningful international search can be carried out, specifically:
3. ☐ Claims Nos :
because they are dependent claims and are not drafted in accordance with the second and third sentences of Rule 6.4(a)

Box II Observations where unity of invention is lacking (Continuation of item 3 of first sheet)

This International Searching Authority found multiple inventions in this international application, as follows:

1. Claims 1-19, 25-28.
2. Claims 20-24

As reasoned on the extra sheet:

1. ☐ As all required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this international search report covers all searchable claims
2. ☒ As all searchable claims could be searched without effort justifying an additional fee, this Authority did not invite payment of any additional fee.
3. ☐ As only some of the required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this international search report covers only those claims for which fees were paid, specifically claims Nos.:
4. ☐ No required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant. Consequently, this international search report is restricted to the invention first mentioned in the claims; it is covered by claims Nos.:

Remark on Protest

- ☐ The additional search fees were accompanied by the applicant's protest.
- ☐ No protest accompanied the payment of additional search fees.

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Supplemental Box

(To be used when the space in any of Boxes I to VIII is not sufficient)

Continuation of Box No: II Observations where unity of invention is lacking

The different inventions are:

The international application does not comply with the requirements of unity of invention because it does not relate to one invention or to a single inventive concept. The International Searching Authority has found that there are different inventions as follows:

1. Claims 1-19 and 25-28. It is considered that the means for mounting an axle to main body in such a manner as to allow pivotal movement of axle comprises a first "special technical feature".
2. Claims 20-24. It is considered that the mounting member having means for cooperation with main body for mounting the truck assembly comprises a second "special technical feature".

Since the above mentioned groups of claims do not share any of the technical features identified, a "technical relationship" between the inventions, as defined in PCT rule 13.2 does not exist. Accordingly the international application does not relate to one inventive concept, **a priori**.

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